kilometre per hour maximum speed between Delhi and Chennai or between any other cities of the country. Constant efforts are however made to increase average commercial speeds.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Introduction of High Speed Trains as of now is not a priority for the Government.

(d) Ministry of Railways had posed High Speed Rail Link Project between Mumbai-Ahmedabad under Development Study Programme of Japanese Technical Corporation Programme for the year 2005-06, through the Ministry of Finance. Government have subsequently communicated to Japanese authorities that the feasibility study on the project may not be taken up in view of the change of priority of the project.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

CNG based green trains

†2706. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways propose to run CNG based green trains;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this plan is only metropolitan cities;

(d) if so, the names of those cities; and

(e) to what extent Government have been successful in giving an actual shape to this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) Trials are being conducted to run one Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) with Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) on Northern Railway.

(c) to (e) Its further proliferation depends on successful trials.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.